

TITLE

SYNTHESIS OF ALKENOATE ESTERS FROM LACTONES AND ALCOHOLS

ABSTRACT

The invention relates to the synthesis of alkenoate esters from a  
5 corresponding lactone and an alcohol in the presence of a basic catalyst. More  
specifically, this invention relates to the synthesis of methyl-4-pentenoate ester from  
5-methyl butyrolactone and methanol.